

cities in the world. Climatic conditions such as bright sunshine and lack of wind also contribute to the pollution in Athens.

The competition venues

There are three main venues for the Athens 2004 Olympic Games. The Athens Olympic Sports Complex, Helliniko Olympic Complex and the Faliro Coastal Zone Olympic Complex will host 17 of the 28 sports on the competition program.

Study Figure A2 and answer the following questions:

1. Describe the distribution of Olympic sporting venues in and around Athens.
2. Where is the Olympic/athletes' village located?
3. Athletes from which sport will have the

furthest to travel from the village to compete in their event? Calculate how far this will be.

4. Which athletes are closest to their competition venue? Calculate this distance.
5. Describe how this distribution and distances travelled might affect the athletes.
6. Do you think the athletes' village is in a good location? Justify your answer.

Athens venues map weblink

There is an interactive venue map on the Athens 2004 website at <http://www.athens2004.com/athens2004/pagevenues?lang=en&cid=fa1a470429149f00VgnVCMserver28130b0aRCRD>. There is also an extensive Multimedia Gallery with lots of photos of the venues as well as the Olympic Torch Relay, mascots and medals. Go to www.athens2004.com and follow the links.

Figure A2: Map of Athens and surrounding Attica region showing competition venues

